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SUBJECT: CSCE CONSULTATIONS AT NATO

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1. ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS, BRITISH EMBASSY MINISTER
MORETON TELEPHONED ACTING EUR ASSISTANT SECRETARY
VINE ON AUGUST 22 TO URGE US ACCEPTANCE OF SEPTEMBER 22
DATE FOR NAC MEETING WITH CSCE HEADS OF DELEGATION.
VINE REPEATED US VIEWS ON NATURE OF MEETING CONTAINED
IN STATE 193419 AND STRESSED THAT IN OUR VIEW IT WAS MORE
IMPORTANT FOR AMBASSADOR SHERER TO REMAIN IN WASHINGTON
DURING THE IMPORTANT FINAL WEEKS BEFORE THE BELGRADE
MEETING. VINE ASKED THAT THE UK CONSIDER THE PROBLEMS
CREATED FOR THE US BY HOLDING THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 23
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WHEN IT MADE ITS FINAL DECISION ON A DATE FOR THE SESSION.

2. AT THE SAME TIME, VINE ACCEPTED THE FACT THAT MOST
NATO MEMBERS SEEMED TO PREFER SEPTEMBER P3 AND SAID THE
US WOULD NOT WISH TO BE THE ONLY ALLY TO BLOCK AGREEMENT
ON THAT DATE. IF A LATER DATE DID NOT SEEM POSSIBLE,
WE WOULD CONSIDER THE SEPTEMBER 23 DATE ON THE UNDERSTAND-

ING THAT OUR REPRESENTATIVES MIGHT NOT INCLUDE OUR HEAD
OF DELEGATION. MORETON THANKED VINE FOR THIS POSSIBLE

COMPROMISE AND SAID HE WOULD REPORT US VIEWS TO LONDON.

3. DURING AUGUST 23 POLADS DISCUSSION OF TIMING FOR
NAC MEETING, MISSION SHOULD CONTINUE TO URGE AGREEMENT
ON SEPTEMBER 30 DATE. IF THERE CONTINUES TO BE STRONG
SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF SEPTEMBER 23, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED
TO SUGGEST THAT IF AGREEABLE TO OTHER ALLIES, US WOULD
BE WILNG TO CONSIDER EARLIER DATE, ON THE UNDERSTANDING
THAT WE MIGHT NOT BE REPRESENTED BY OUR HEAD OF
DELEGATION. CHRISTOPHER

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